

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information communication system, comprising:
a variable gain amplifier (VGA),
5 wherein the VGA is responsive to an input signal of the information communication system;
an analog-to-digital converter (ADC),
wherein the ADC is responsive to an output of the VGA;
a first filter,
10 wherein tap weight coefficients of the first filter are updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) engine,
wherein the first filter is responsive to an output of the ADC, and
wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first filter are constrained;
15 a second filter,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the second filter are updated according to an adaptation engine,
wherein the second filter is responsive to an output of the first filter,
wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second filter
20 comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the first filter,
wherein the second filter comprises a three-tap filter,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the three-tap filter comprise “a”, “1+b”, and “-a”, respectively,
25 wherein a value of tap weight coefficient “a” of the second filter is updated to provide a timing phase of the second filter that is associated with a change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter,
wherein the tap weight coefficient “a” is updated according to equation:
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$$a[n+1] = a[n] - \alpha * \Delta\theta,$$

wherein $a[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $a[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a”
for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein α comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\theta$ comprises a change in timing phase error

5 associated with the first filter,

wherein a value of tap weight coefficient “b” of the second filter is
updated to provide a gain of the second filter that is associated with a change in gain
error from the first filter,

wherein the tap weight coefficient “b” is updated according to
10 equation:

$$b[n+1] = b[n] - \beta * \Delta\Gamma,$$

wherein $b[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient
“b” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $b[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient

15 “b” for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein β comprises a second gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ comprises a change in gain error from the first
filter;

a gain controller for controlling gain of the VGA,

20 wherein the gain controller is in communication with the VGA and
responsive to the output of the second filter,

wherein the gain of the second filter is configured to cause the gain
controller to modify a gain of the VGA to compensate for the change in gain error
from the first filter; and

25 a timing phase controller for controlling timing phase of the ADC,

wherein the timing phase controller is in communication with the ADC
and responsive to an output of the second filter,

wherein the timing phase of the second filter is configured to cause the
timing phase controller to modify a timing phase of the ADC to compensate for the
30 change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter.

2. The information communication system of claim 1, wherein the adaptation engine comprises one of a second LMS engine and a zero-forcing engine.

3. The information communication system of claim 1, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o)}{K_e^2 + K_o^2},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

10 $\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3]$ and

$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4]$, respectively,

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

15 wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

20 4. The information communication system of claim 3, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

25 wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

5. The information communication system of claim 3, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

5 6. The information communication system of claim 3, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter and an output of a reconstruction filter,

wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of a sequence detector, and

10 wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter.

7. The information communication system of claim 1, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first
15 filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = (-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

20 wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

25 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

8. The information communication system of claim 7, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

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$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2 - 0.5).$$

9. The information communication system of claim 7, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

10. The information communication system of claim 7, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter and an output of a reconstruction filter,

wherein the reconstruction filter is in communication with an output of a sequence detector, and

wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter.

11. The information communication system of claim 1, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e)}{\sqrt{K_e^2 + K_o^2}},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

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12. The information communication system of claim 11, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

10 wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

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$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2 - 0.5).$$

13. The information communication system of claim 11, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

20 14. The information communication system of claim 11, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter and an output of a reconstruction filter,

wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of a sequence detector, and

25 wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter.

15. The information communication system of claim 1, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first
30 filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = (-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu^* E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$
$$\Delta C_4 = \mu^* E[n]^* X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

5 wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein X[n-3] comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

10 wherein X[n-4] comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth
previous sampling time of the input signal.

16. The information communication system of claim 15, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$15 \quad K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma_{C_{2n}}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \bmod 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

20 $M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2)$, and

wherein P is determined according to equation:

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P = TRUNCATE ( ( (N-1) /2) - 0.5).
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17. The information communication system of claim 15, wherein K_e and
25 K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

18. The information communication system of claim 15, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter and an output of a reconstruction filter,

wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of a sequence detector, and

wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter.

5 19. The information communication system of claim 1, comprising:
a sequence detector, wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output
of the first filter.

20. The information communication system of claim 19, comprising:
10 a reconstruction filter, wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an
output of the sequence detector.

21. The information communication system of claim 20, comprising:
an error generator in communication between an output of the second filter
15 and inputs of the timing phase controller and the gain controller,
wherein the error generator generates an error signal comprising a difference
between an output of the first filter and an output of the reconstruction filter.

22. The information communication system of claim 20, wherein the
20 timing phase controller comprises an error generator,
wherein the timing phase controller is responsive to an output of the first filter
and an output of the reconstruction filter.

23. The information communication system of claim 20, wherein the gain
25 controller comprises an error generator,
wherein the gain controller is responsive to an output of the first filter and an
output of the reconstruction filter.

24. An information communication system, comprising: /
30 a variable gain amplifier (VGA) means,
wherein the VGA means is responsive to an input signal of the
information communication system;

an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) means,
 wherein the ADC means is responsive to an output of the VGA means;
 a first filter means,
 wherein tap weight coefficients of the first filter means are updated
 5 according to a first least mean square (LMS) engine means,
 wherein the first filter means is responsive to an output of the ADC
 means, and
 wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first filter means are
 constrained;
 10 a second filter means,
 wherein tap weight coefficients of the second filter means are updated
 according to an adaptation engine means,
 wherein the second filter means is responsive to an output of the first
 filter means,
 15 wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second filter means
 comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the
 first filter means,
 wherein the second filter means comprises a three-tap filter means,
 wherein tap weight coefficients of the three-tap filter means comprise
 20 “a”, “1+b”, and “-a”, respectively,
 wherein a value of tap weight coefficient “a” of the second filter means
 is updated to provide a timing phase of the second filter means that is associated with
 a change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter means,
 wherein the tap weight coefficient “a” is updated according to
 25 equation:

$$a[n+1] = a[n] - \alpha * \Delta\theta,$$
 wherein a[n+1] comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient
 “a” for a next sampling time of the input signal,
 wherein a[n] comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a”
 30 for a current sampling time of the input signal,
 wherein α comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\theta$ comprises a change in timing phase error associated with the first filter means,

wherein a value of tap weight coefficient “b” of the second filter means is updated to provide a gain of the second filter means that is associated with a change in gain error from the first filter means;

wherein the tap weight coefficient “b” is updated according to equation:

$$b[n+1] = b[n] - \beta * \Delta\Gamma,$$

wherein $b[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $b[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein β comprises a second gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ comprises a change in gain error from the first filter means;

a gain controller means for controlling gain of the VGA means,

wherein the gain controller means is in communication with the VGA means and responsive to the output of the second filter means,

wherein the gain of the second filter means is configured to cause the gain controller means to modify a gain of the VGA means to compensate for the change in gain error from the first filter means; and

a timing phase controller means for controlling timing phase of the ADC means,

wherein the timing phase controller means is in communication with the ADC means and responsive to an output of the second filter means,

wherein the timing phase of the second filter means is configured to cause the timing phase controller means to modify a timing phase of the ADC means to compensate for the change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter means.

25. The information communication system of claim 24, wherein the adaptation engine means comprises one of a second LMS engine means and a zero-forcing engine means.

5 26. The information communication system of claim 24, wherein the first filter means comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter means are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o)}{K_e^2 + K_o^2},$$

10 wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of
15 the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

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27. The information communication system of claim 26, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

25 wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2 - 0.5).$$

28. The information communication system of claim 26, wherein K_e and
5 K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

29. The information communication system of claim 26, wherein the error
signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter means and an
output of a reconstruction filter means,
10 wherein the reconstruction filter means is responsive to an output of a
sequence detector means, and
wherein the sequence detector means is responsive to an output of the first
filter means.

15 30. The information communication system of claim 24, wherein the first
filter means comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four,
wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the
first filter means are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = (-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o),$$

20 wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of
25 the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous
sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth
previous sampling time of the input signal.

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31. The information communication system of claim 30, wherein K_e and
 K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

5 wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2 - 0.5).$$

10 32. The information communication system of claim 30, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

33. The information communication system of claim 30, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter means and an
15 output of a reconstruction filter means,

wherein the reconstruction filter means is in communication with an output of a sequence detector means, and

wherein the sequence detector means is responsive to an output of the first filter means.

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34. The information communication system of claim 24, wherein the first filter means comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter means are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$25 \quad \Delta\Gamma = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e)}{\sqrt{K_e^2 + K_o^2}},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

5 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

35. The information communication system of claim 34, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

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$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

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$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

20 36. The information communication system of claim 34, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

37. The information communication system of claim 34, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter means and an output of a reconstruction filter means,

25 wherein the reconstruction filter means is responsive to an output of a sequence detector means, and

wherein the sequence detector means is responsive to an output of the first filter means.

38. The information communication system of claim 24, wherein the first filter means comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter means are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = (-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e);$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a third gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

39. The information communication system of claim 38, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

40. The information communication system of claim 38, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

41. The information communication system of claim 38, wherein the error signal $E[n]$ comprises a difference between an output of the first filter means and an output of a reconstruction filter means,

5 wherein the reconstruction filter means is responsive to an output of a sequence detector means, and

wherein the sequence detector means is responsive to an output of the first filter means.

42. The information communication system of claim 24, comprising:
10 a sequence detector means, wherein the sequence detector means is responsive to an output of the first filter means.

43. The information communication system of claim 42, comprising:
a reconstruction filter means, wherein the reconstruction filter means is
15 responsive to an output of the sequence detector means.

44. The information communication system of claim 43, comprising:
an error generator means in communication between an output of the second filter means and inputs of the timing phase controller means and the gain controller
20 means,

wherein the error generator means generates an error signal comprising a difference between an output of the first filter means and an output of the reconstruction filter means.

25 45. The information communication system of claim 43, wherein the timing phase controller means comprises an error generator means,
wherein the timing phase controller means is responsive to an output of the first filter means and an output of the reconstruction filter means.

30 46. The information communication system of claim 43, wherein the gain controller means comprises an error generator means,

wherein the gain controller means is responsive to an output of the first filter means and an output of the reconstruction filter means.

47. An information communication system, comprising: ✓

5 a variable gain amplifier (VGA), wherein the VGA is responsive to an input signal of the information communication system;

an analog-to-digital converter (ADC), wherein the ADC is responsive to an output of the VGA;

a first filter,

10 wherein tap weight coefficients of the first filter are updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) engine,

wherein the first filter is responsive to an output of the ADC, and

wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first filter is constrained;

15 a second filter,

wherein the second filter is responsive to an output of the first filter,

and

wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second filter comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the first filter; and, at least one of:

20 a gain controller for controlling gain of the VGA, wherein the gain controller is in communication with the VGA and responsive to the output of the second filter; and

a timing phase controller for controlling timing phase of the ADC,

25 wherein the timing phase controller is in communication with the ADC and responsive to an output of the second filter.

48. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein tap weight coefficients of the second filter are updated according to an adaptation engine.

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49. The information communication system of claim 48, wherein the adaptation engine comprises one of a second LMS engine and a zero-forcing engine.

50. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first filter are constrained,

wherein a value of at least one tap weight coefficient of the second filter is updated to provide a gain of the second filter that is associated with a change in gain error from the first filter, and

wherein the gain of the second filter is configured to cause the gain controller to modify a gain of the VGA to compensate for the change in gain error from the first filter.

51. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first filter are constrained,

wherein a value of at least one tap weight coefficient of the second filter is updated to provide a timing phase of the second filter that is associated with a change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter, and

wherein the timing phase of the second filter is configured to cause the timing phase controller to modify a timing phase of the ADC to compensate for the change in timing phase error introduced by the first filter.

52. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein the second filter comprises one of a two-tap filter and a three-tap filter.

53. The information communication system of claim 52, wherein tap weight coefficients of the two-tap filter comprise “a” and “1+b”, respectively, and

wherein tap weight coefficients of the three-tap filter comprise “a”, “1+b”, and “-a”, respectively.

54. The information communication system of claim 53, wherein the tap weight coefficient “a” is updated according to equation:

$$a[n+1] = a[n] - \alpha * \Delta\theta,$$

wherein $a[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $a[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a” for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein α comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\theta$ comprises a change in timing phase error associated with the first
5 filter.

55. The information communication system of claim 54, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first
10 filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o)}{K_e^2 + K_o^2},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

15 wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

20 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

56. The information communication system of claim 55, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$25 \quad K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE} ((N-1) / 2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE} (((N-1) / 2) - 0.5).$$

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57. The information communication system of claim 55, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

58. The information communication system of claim 55, comprising:
10 a sequence detector,
wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter;

a reconstruction filter,
wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of the
15 sequence detector; and
an error generator,
wherein the error generator is responsive to the output of the first filter
and an output of the reconstruction filter, and

wherein the error generator generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising
20 a difference between the output of the first filter and the output of the reconstruction filter.

59. The information communication system of claim 54, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein
25 a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\theta$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = (-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3]$ and
30 $\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4]$, respectively,

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

5 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

60. The information communication system of claim 59, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

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$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

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$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

61. The information communication system of claim 59, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

62. The information communication system of claim 59, comprising:
a sequence detector,

25 wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter;

a reconstruction filter,

wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of the sequence detector; and

an error generator,

wherein the error generator is responsive to the output of the first filter and an output of the reconstruction filter, and

wherein the error generator generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first filter and the output of the reconstruction filter.

63. The information communication system of claim 53, wherein the tap weight coefficient “b” is updated according to equation:

$$b[n+1] = b[n] - \beta * \Delta\Gamma,$$

wherein $b[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $b[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein β comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ comprises a change in gain error from the first filter.

64. The information communication system of claim 63, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e)}{\sqrt{K_e^2 + K_o^2}},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

65. The information communication system of claim 64, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

66. The information communication system of claim 64, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

67. The information communication system of claim 64, comprising:
a sequence detector, wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter;

a reconstruction filter, wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of the sequence detector; and

an error generator, wherein the error generator is responsive to the output of the first filter and an output of the reconstruction filter,

wherein the error generator generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first filter and the output of the reconstruction filter.

68. The information communication system of claim 63, wherein the first filter comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first filter are constrained, and wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ is updated according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = (-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu^*E[n]*X[n-3] \text{ and}$$
$$\Delta C_4 = \mu^* E[n]^* X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

5 wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein X[n-3] comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

10 wherein X[n-4] comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth
previous sampling time of the input signal.

69. The information communication system of claim 68, wherein K_e and K_o are updated according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \kappa_{\mathcal{C}_{2n}}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \bmod 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

20 $M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2)$, and

wherein P is determined according to equation:

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P = TRUNCATE ( ( (N-1) /2) - 0.5).
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70. The information communication system of claim 68, wherein K_e and
25 K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

71. The information communication system of claim 68, comprising:
a sequence detector, wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter;

a reconstruction filter, wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of the sequence detector; and

an error generator, wherein the error generator is responsive to the output of the first filter and an output of the reconstruction filter,

5 wherein the error generator generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first filter and the output of the reconstruction filter.

72. The information communication system of claim 47, comprising:

10 a sequence detector, wherein the sequence detector is responsive to an output of the first filter;

a reconstruction filter, wherein the reconstruction filter is responsive to an output of the sequence detector; and

15 an error generator, wherein the error generator is responsive to an output of the reconstruction filter, and

wherein the error generator is in communication between an output of the second filter and inputs of the timing phase controller and the gain controller.

73. The information communication system of claim 72, wherein the

20 timing phase controller comprises the error generator,

wherein the timing phase controller is responsive to the output of the reconstruction filter.

74. The information communication system of claim 72, wherein the gain

25 controller comprises the error generator,

wherein the gain controller is responsive to the output of the reconstruction filter.

75. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein the first

30 filter and the second filter each comprise a Finite Impulse Response filter.

76. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein a disk drive comprises the information communication system.

77. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein at least the VGA, ADC, first filter, second filter, and at least one of the timing phase controller and gain controller are formed on a monolithic substrate.

78. The information communication system of claim 47, wherein the information communication system is compliant with a standard selected from the group consisting of 802.11, 802.11a, 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11i.

79. A method for controlling at least one of gain and timing phase, comprising the steps of:

- a.) amplifying an input signal to generate an amplified signal;
- b.) converting the amplified signal into a digital signal to generate a converted signal;
- c.) filtering the converted signal to generate a first filtered signal in accordance with a first plurality of filter coefficients,
wherein the first plurality of filter coefficients are updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) process, and
wherein at least one filter coefficient of the first plurality of filter coefficients is constrained;
- d.) filtering the first filtered signal to generate a second filtered signal in accordance with a second plurality of filter coefficients,
wherein a number of filter coefficients of the second plurality of filter coefficients comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the filter coefficients of the first plurality of filter coefficients;
- e.) controlling a gain of step (a.) in response to the second filtered signal; and
- f.) controlling a timing phase of step (b.) in response to the second filtered signal.

80. The method of claim 79, wherein the second plurality of filter coefficients are updated according to an adaptation process.

81. The method of claim 80, wherein the adaptation process comprises one of a second LMS process and a zero-forcing process.

82. The method of claim 79, wherein at least two filter coefficients of the first plurality of filter coefficients are constrained, and wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

g.) updating a value of at least one filter coefficient of the second plurality of filter coefficients to provide a gain of step (d.) that is associated with a change in gain error from step (c.); and

h.) modifying the gain of step (a.) based upon the gain of step (d.), to compensate for the change in gain error from step (c.).

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83. The method of claim 79, wherein at least two filter coefficients of the first plurality of filter coefficients are constrained, and where the method further comprises the steps of:

g.) updating a value of at least one filter coefficient of the second plurality of filter coefficients to provide a timing phase of step (d.) that is associated with a change in timing phase error introduced by step (c.); and

h.) modifying a timing phase of step (b.) based upon the timing phase of step (d.), to compensate for the change in timing phase error introduced by step (c.).

84. The method of claim 79, wherein the second plurality of filter coefficients comprises one of two and three filter coefficients.

85. The method of claim 79, wherein the two filter coefficients of the second plurality of filter coefficients comprise "a" and "1+b", respectively, and wherein the three filter coefficients of the second plurality of filter coefficients comprise "a", "1+b", and "-a", respectively.

86. The method of claim 85, further comprising the step of:

g.) updating the filter coefficient “a” according to equation:

$$a[n+1] = a[n] - \alpha * \Delta\theta,$$

wherein a[n+1] comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient

5 “a” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein a[n] comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a”
for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein α comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\theta$ comprises a change in timing phase error

10 associated with step (c.).

87. The method of claim 86, wherein the first plurality of filter coefficients
comprises N filter coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third
filter coefficient C_3 and a fourth filter coefficient C_4 of the first plurality of filter
15 coefficients are constrained, and wherein method further comprises the step of:

h.) updating $\Delta\theta$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o)}{K_e^2 + K_o^2},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein E[n] comprises an error signal for a
current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein X[n-3] comprises a value of the input
25 signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein X[n-4] comprises a value of the input
signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

88. The method of claim 87, further comprising the step of:

30 i.) updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

5 wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

10 89. The method of claim 87, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

90. The method of claim 87, further comprising the steps of:

- i.) detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal;
- 15 j.) reconstructing an information signal from the detected information sequence; and
- k.) generating the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the first filtered signal and the reconstructed information signal.

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91. The method of claim 86, wherein the first plurality of filter coefficients comprises N filter coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third filter coefficient C_3 and a fourth filter coefficient C_4 of the first plurality of filter coefficients are constrained, and wherein method comprises the step of:

25 h.) updating $\Delta\theta$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = (-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

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wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

5 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

92. The method of claim 91, further comprising the step of:

i.) updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

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$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

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$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

93. The method of claim 91, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a
20 predetermined value.

94. The method of claim 91, further comprising the steps of:

i.) detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal;

j.) reconstructing an information signal from the detected information
25 sequence; and

k.) generating the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the first filtered signal and the reconstructed information signal.

95. The method of claim 85, comprising the step of:

30 g.) updating the tap weight coefficient “b” according to equation:

$$b[n+1] = b[n] - \beta * \Delta\Gamma,$$

wherein $b[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient
“b” for a next sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $b[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient

5 “b” for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein β comprises a first gain constant, and

wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ comprises a change in gain error from step (c.).

96. The method of claim 95, wherein the first plurality of filter coefficients
10 comprises N filter coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third
filter coefficient C_3 and a fourth filter coefficient C_4 of the first plurality of filter
coefficients are constrained, and wherein method comprises the step of:

h.) updating $\Delta\Gamma$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e)}{\sqrt{K_e^2 + K_o^2}},$$

15 wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a

20 current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input
signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input
signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

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97. The method of claim 96, further comprising the step of:

i.) updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a "+1" when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a "-1" otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

5 wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

98. The method of claim 96, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

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99. The method of claim 96, further comprising the steps of:

i.) detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal;

j.) reconstructing an information signal from the detected information sequence; and

15 k.) generating the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the first filtered signal and the reconstructed information signal.

100. The method of claim 95, wherein the first plurality of filter coefficients comprises N filter coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third filter coefficient C_3 and a fourth filter coefficient C_4 of the first plurality of filter coefficients are constrained, and wherein method comprises the step of:

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h.) updating $\Delta\Gamma$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = (-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

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$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

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wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

101. The method of claim 100, further comprising the step of:

5 i.) updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \bmod 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

10 wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

15 102. The method of claim 100, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

103. The method of claim 100, further comprising the steps of:

i.) detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal;

20 j.) reconstructing an information signal from the detected information sequence; and

k.) generating the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the first filtered signal and the reconstructed information signal.

25 104. The method of claim 79, further comprising the steps of:

g.) detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal;

h.) reconstructing an information signal from the detected information sequence; and

30 i.) generating an error signal, wherein the error signal is associated with the reconstructed information signal.

105. The method of claim 79, wherein the method is compliant with a standard selected from the group consisting of 802.11, 802.11a, 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11i.

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106. An information communication system, comprising:
means for amplifying an input signal received by the information communication system to generate an amplified signal;
means for converting the amplified signal into a digital signal to generate a converted signal;

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first means for filtering the converted signal to generate a first filtered signal, wherein tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering are updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) adaptation means, wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first means for filtering is constrained;

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second means for filtering the first filtered signal to generate a second filtered signal,

wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second means for filtering comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering; and, at least one of:

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means for controlling a gain of the means for amplifying in response to the second filtered signal; and

means for controlling a timing phase of the means for converting in response to the second filtered signal.

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107. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein tap weight coefficients of the second means for filtering are updated according to an adaptation means.

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108. The information communication system of claim 107, wherein the adaptation means comprises one of a second LMS adaptation means and a zero-forcing adaptation means.

109. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering are constrained, and wherein the information communication system comprises:

- 5 means for updating a value of at least one tap weight coefficient of the second means for filtering to provide a gain of the second means for filtering that is associated with a change in gain error from the first means for filtering; and
- means for modifying a gain of the means for amplifying based upon the gain of the second means for filtering, to compensate for the change in gain error from the
- 10 first means for filtering.

110. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein at least two tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering are constrained, and where the information communication system comprises:

- 15 means for updating a value of at least one tap weight coefficient of the second means for filtering to provide a timing phase of the second means for filtering that is associated with a change in timing phase error introduced by the first means for filtering; and
- means for modifying a timing phase of the means for converting based upon
- 20 the timing phase of the second means for filtering, to compensate for the change in timing phase error introduced by the first means for filtering.

111. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein the second means for filtering comprises one of a two-tap filter means and a three-tap filter means.

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112. The information communication system of claim 111, wherein tap weight coefficients of the two-tap filter means comprise “a” and “1+b”, respectively, and

30 wherein tap weight coefficients of the three-tap filter means comprise “a”, “1+b”, and “-a”, respectively.

113. The information communication system of claim 112, comprising:
means for updating the tap weight coefficient “a” according to equation:

$$a[n+1] = a[n] - \alpha * \Delta\theta,$$

wherein $a[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a” for
5 a next sampling time of the input signal,
wherein $a[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “a” for a
current sampling time of the input signal,
wherein α comprises a first gain constant, and
wherein $\Delta\theta$ comprises a change in timing phase error associated with
10 the first filter.

114. The information communication system of claim 113, wherein the first
means for filtering comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least
four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4
15 of the first means for filtering are constrained, and wherein the means for updating the
tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating $\Delta\theta$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o)}{K_e^2 + K_o^2},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:
20 $\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3]$ and
 $\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4]$, respectively,
wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,
wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current
sampling time of the input signal,
25 wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at
a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and
wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at
a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

30 115. The information communication system of claim 114, wherein the
means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises
 5 a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

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116. The information communication system of claim 114, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

117. The information communication system of claim 114, comprising:

15 means for detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal,

wherein the means for detecting is responsive to an output of the first
 means for filtering;

means for reconstructing an information signal from the information sequence,

wherein the means for reconstructing is responsive to an output of the

20 means for detecting; and

means for generating an error signal,

wherein the means for generating an error signal is responsive to the
 output of the first means for filtering and an output of the means for reconstructing,
 and

25 wherein the means for generating an error signal generates the error
 signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first means for filtering
 and the output of the means for reconstructing.

118. The information communication system of claim 113, wherein the first
 30 means for filtering comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least

four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first means for filtering are constrained, and wherein the means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating $\Delta\theta$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\theta = (-\Delta C_3 * K_e - \Delta C_4 * K_o),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

119. The information communication system of claim 118, wherein the means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

120. The information communication system of claim 118, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

121. The information communication system of claim 118, comprising:
means for detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal,
wherein the means for detecting is responsive to an output of the first
5 means for filtering;
means for reconstructing an information signal from the information sequence,
wherein the means for reconstructing is responsive to an output of the
means for detecting; and
means for generating an error signal,
10 wherein the means for generating an error signal is responsive to the
output of the first means for filtering and an output of the means for reconstructing,
and
wherein the means for generating an error signal generates the error
signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first means for filtering
15 and the output of the means for reconstructing.

122. The information communication system of claim 112, comprising:
means for updating the tap weight coefficient “b” according to equation:

$$b[n+1] = b[n] - \beta * \Delta\Gamma,$$

20 wherein $b[n+1]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for
a next sampling time of the input signal,
wherein $b[n]$ comprises a value of the tap weight coefficient “b” for a
current sampling time of the input signal,
wherein β comprises a first gain constant, and
25 wherein $\Delta\Gamma$ comprises a change in gain error from the first filter.

123. The information communication system of claim 122, wherein the first
means for filtering comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least
four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4
30 of the first means for filtering are constrained, and wherein the means for updating the
tap weight coefficient comprises:
means for updating $\Delta\Gamma$ according to equation:

$$\Delta\Gamma = \frac{(-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e)}{\sqrt{K_e^2 + K_o^2}},$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

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wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

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wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

124. The information communication system of claim 123, wherein the means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

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means for updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

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wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}(((N-1)/2) - 0.5).$$

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125. The information communication system of claim 123, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

126. The information communication system of claim 123, comprising:
means for detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal,

wherein the means for detecting is responsive to an output of the first means for filtering;

means for reconstructing an information signal from the information sequence,

wherein the means for reconstructing is responsive to an output of the

5 means for detecting; and

means for generating an error signal,

wherein the means for generating an error signal is responsive to the output of the first means for filtering and an output of the means for reconstructing, and

10 wherein the means for generating an error signal generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first means for filtering and the output of the means for reconstructing.

127. The information communication system of claim 122, wherein the first means for filtering comprises N tap weight coefficients, wherein N comprises at least four, wherein a third tap weight coefficient C_3 and a fourth tap weight coefficient C_4 of the first means for filtering are constrained, and wherein the means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating $\Delta\Gamma$ according to equation:

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$$\Delta\Gamma = (-\Delta C_3 * K_o + \Delta C_4 * K_e),$$

wherein ΔC_3 and ΔC_4 are updated according to equations:

$$\Delta C_3 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-3] \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta C_4 = \mu * E[n] * X[n-4], \text{ respectively,}$$

wherein μ comprises a second gain constant,

25 wherein $E[n]$ comprises an error signal for a current sampling time of the input signal,

wherein $X[n-3]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a third previous sampling time of the input signal, and

30 wherein $X[n-4]$ comprises a value of the input signal at a fourth previous sampling time of the input signal.

128. The information communication system of claim 127, wherein the means for updating the tap weight coefficient comprises:

means for updating K_e and K_o according to equations:

$$K_e = \sum_{n=0}^M \gamma C_{2n}, \text{ and}$$

5 $K_o = \sum_{n=0}^P \gamma C_{2n+1}, \text{ respectively, and}$

wherein γ comprises a “+1” when $((2*n) \text{ modulo } 4) = 0$ and comprises a “-1” otherwise,

wherein M is determined according to equation:

$$M = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2), \text{ and}$$

10 wherein P is determined according to equation:

$$P = \text{TRUNCATE}((N-1)/2 - 0.5).$$

129. The information communication system of claim 127, wherein K_e and K_o each comprise a predetermined value.

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130. The information communication system of claim 127, comprising:

means for detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal,

wherein the means for detecting is responsive to an output of the first means for filtering;

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means for reconstructing an information signal from the information sequence,

wherein the means for reconstructing is responsive to an output of the means for detecting; and

means for generating an error signal,

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wherein the means for generating an error signal is responsive to the output of the first means for filtering and an output of the means for reconstructing, and

wherein the means for generating an error signal generates the error signal $E[n]$ comprising a difference between the output of the first means for filtering and the output of the means for reconstructing.

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131. The information communication system of claim 106, comprising:
means for detecting an information sequence in the first filtered signal,
wherein the means for detecting is responsive to an output of the first
means for filtering;
5 means for reconstructing an information signal from the information sequence,
wherein the means for reconstructing is responsive to an output of the
means for detecting; and
means for generating an error signal,
wherein the means for generating an error signal is responsive to an
10 output of the means for reconstructing, and
wherein the means for generating an error signal is in communication
between an output of the second means for filtering and inputs of the means for
controlling the gain and the means for controlling the timing phase.

15 132. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein the first
means for filtering and the second means for filtering each comprise a Finite Impulse
Response filter means.

133. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein a disk
20 drive means comprises the information communication system.

134. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein at least
the means for amplifying, the means for converting, the first means for filtering, the
second means for filtering, and at least one of the means for controlling a gain of the
25 means for amplifying and the means for controlling a timing phase of the means for
converting can be formed on a monolithic substrate.

135. The information communication system of claim 106, wherein the
information communication system is compliant with a standard selected from the
30 group consisting of 802.11, 802.11a, 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11i.

136. An information communication system, comprising: ✓
a variable gain amplifier (VGA), wherein the VGA is responsive to an input
signal of the information communication system;
an analog-to-digital converter (ADC), wherein the ADC is responsive to an
5 output of the VGA;
a first filter,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the first filter are updated according
to a first least mean square (LMS) engine,
wherein the first filter is responsive to an output of the ADC, and
10 wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first filter is
constrained;
a second filter,
wherein the second filter is responsive to an output of the first filter,
and
15 wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second filter
comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the
first filter; and
a gain controller for controlling gain of the VGA, wherein the gain controller
is in communication with the VGA and responsive to the output of the second filter.

20 137. An information communication system, comprising: ✓
a variable gain amplifier (VGA), wherein the VGA is responsive to an input
signal of the information communication system;
an analog-to-digital converter (ADC), wherein the ADC is responsive to an
25 output of the VGA;
a first filter,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the first filter are updated according
to a first least mean square (LMS) engine,
wherein the first filter is responsive to an output of the ADC, and
30 wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first filter is
constrained;
a second filter,

wherein the second filter is responsive to an output of the first filter,
and

wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second filter
comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight coefficients of the
5 first filter; and

a timing phase controller for controlling timing phase of the ADC, wherein the
timing phase controller is in communication with the ADC and responsive to an
output of the second filter.

10 138. An information communication system, comprising: ✓
means for amplifying an input signal received by the information
communication system to generate an amplified signal;
means for converting the amplified signal into a digital signal to generate a
converted signal;
15 first means for filtering the converted signal to generate a first filtered signal,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering are
updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) adaptation means,
wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first means for
filtering is constrained;
20 second means for filtering the first filtered signal to generate a second filtered
signal,
wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second means for
filtering comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight
coefficients of the first means for filtering; and
25 means for controlling a gain of the means for amplifying in response to the
second filtered signal.

139. An information communication system, comprising: ✓
means for amplifying an input signal received by the information
30 communication system to generate an amplified signal;
means for converting the amplified signal into a digital signal to generate a
converted signal;

first means for filtering the converted signal to generate a first filtered signal,
wherein tap weight coefficients of the first means for filtering are
updated according to a first least mean square (LMS) adaptation means,
wherein at least one tap weight coefficient of the first means for
5 filtering is constrained;
second means for filtering the first filtered signal to generate a second filtered
signal,
wherein a number of tap weight coefficients of the second means for
filtering comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the tap weight
10 coefficients of the first means for filtering; and
means for controlling a timing phase of the means for converting in response
to the second filtered signal.

140. A computer program for controlling at least one of gain and timing
15 phase, wherein the computer program performs the steps of:
a.) filtering an input signal to generate a first filtered signal in accordance
with a first plurality of filter coefficients;
b.) updating the first plurality of filter coefficients according to a first least
mean square (LMS) process;
20 c.) constraining at least one filter coefficient of the first plurality of filter
coefficients;
d.) filtering the first filtered signal to generate a second filtered signal in
accordance with a second plurality of filter coefficients,
wherein a number of filter coefficients of the second plurality of filter
25 coefficients comprises one of less than and equal to a number of the filter coefficients
of the first plurality of filter coefficients;
e.) outputting a gain control signal in response to the second filtered
signal; and
f.) outputting a timing phase control signal in response to the second
30 filtered signal.